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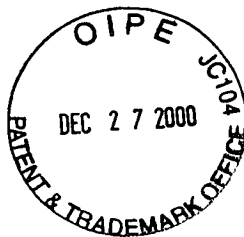
## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

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